# MARKET MAYHEM How To Avoid It

(and what to do when it strikes)

## **Protect Yourself First**

Insurance
Contracts
Policies
Procedures
Guidelines



## **Customers Need Rules Too**

**Smoking** 

Bikes

Dogs

Make sure to post rules clearly



# Vendors

Vendor Agreement
Vendor Liability Insurance
Vendor Handbook



## What Belongs in a Handbook

Market Info **Market Standards** Market Logistics **Market Policies** Conduct Fees/Payment **Market Currency** Compliance and **Enforcement** 



## Top Vendor Policies

Vendor Load In/Load Out Process

Vendor Book In/Book Out Process

Code of Conduct

"...PFM will not be bound to apply a specific set of criteria in every instance and reserves unconditional discretion to accept or refuse any business as a PFM vendor."

Signed Agreement



# Set the Tone





#### **Customers Are Awesome**

Be gracious and helpful
Get help if needed
Document, Document,
Document



# When Vendors Attack



# The Vendor/Manager Relationship

**Build Rapport Early** 

Remember, your market comes first

It's not as much about enforcing rules as it is setting and maintain culture

Pick your battles

Be decisive and consistent

## Respond, Don't React

Have a Plan

Be Decisive, Consistent and Reasonable

Have an escalation procedure

Document

Rise above the drama

Don't worry, it will be ok

## You Made It, Congratulations!



Annual Market Check-Up

**Build On What You Have** 

Don't Be Afraid To Change